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<i>Art Unit</i>	2685
<i>Examiner Name</i>	TRAN, Pablo
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	872.0014.USU

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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In re U.S. Patent Application of:

APPLICANT(S): Seppo Alanäärä
SERIAL NO.: 09/783,917 FILING DATE: 02/15/2001
GROUP ART UNIT: 2684 EXAMINER: Tran, Pablo N.
ATTORNEY DOCKET No.: 872.0014.USU

TITLE: **BACKWARDS COMPATIBLE, EXTENDED METHOD TO EXECUTE
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Submitted herein is a Request for Continued Examination, submitted in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.114.

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REMARKS

This letter is a Request for Continued Examination, submitted in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.114.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the previously filed and un-entered submission, dated April 18, 2003, and provided by the undersigned attorney.

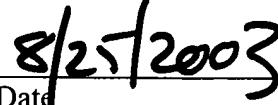
In the April 18, 2003 submission, an affidavit was submitted to address an improper citation to a reference, and the incorporation by reference of certain subject matter. Arguments were further supplied in support of the affidavit, and traversing assertions of the Examiner.

It is requested that the affidavit and the supporting arguments be entered and considered on the merits. With this submission, all of the claims in this patent application are deemed to be in condition for allowance, and it is believed that this patent application is ready to be passed to issue. However, should there by any remaining issue that would impede the allowance of all of the pending claims, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at any of the numbers appearing below.

Respectfully submitted:



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